



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 2356.0062-05000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln of: )  
Maurice MONCANY et al. ) Confirmation No.  
Serial No.: 09/670,105 ) Group Art Unit: 1648  
Filed: September 26, 2000 ) Examiner: U. Winkler

For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES DERIVED FROM THE GENOME OF  
RETROVIRUSES OF THE HIV-1, HIV-2 AND SIV TYPE, AND THEIR USES IN  
PARTICULAR FOR THE AMPLIFICATION OF THE GENOMES OF THESE  
RETROVIRUSES AND FOR THE IN VITRO DIAGNOSIS OF THE DISEASES  
DUE TO THESE VIRUSES

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the  
Office Action of August 23, 2004. A fee of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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